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The 2009-2010 NCAC Chairman Declares His Support of the DDR Program

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The 2009-2010 NCAC Chairman, C/Lt Col Zachary Z. King, is an avid supporter of Drug Demand Reduction. “I have been a participant in the “War on Drugs” since I was a young student in the D.A.R.E. program through my elementary school,” said King, “As a Civil Air Patrol Honor Guardsman, I have worked to promote DDR throughout my six years as a student and now an instructor at the National Honor Guard Academy.”



Cadet King believes that “Drug Demand Reduction is a vital part of the Cadet Program and Civil Air Patrol as a whole. Over the course of this term, I shall ensure that the National Cadet Advisory will be taking a firm stance to support DDR and will be working on initiatives that will boost the awareness of the DDR Program and increase cadet participation with DDR activities.” While continuing his service to CAP, Cadet King attends the University of Delaware, majoring in business management, and is an Air Force Officer Candidate in AFROTC. He continues to take a strong stance to promote being drug and alcohol free in all aspects of his life.

Cadet King, as NCAC Chairman, recently represented the entire Cadet Program at the Air Force Association’s Annual Air and Space Conference and Technology Exposition, just south of Washington, D.C. at the National Harbor. There, the Chairman joined our Executive Director, Mr. Donny Rowland, and several members of National Staff, Middle East Region, and National Capital Wing in a joint effort to promote Civil Air Patrol’s capabilities to all who attended, both civilian and military. Promoting the DDR Program played a large part of this exposition.

“Our focus with our volunteer efforts needs to be on our outreach to youth and to our communities!” said Cadet King. In speaking with several AFJROTC cadets at the event, King found great enthusiasm from the cadets in the idea of dual membership and also in the possibility of building partnerships between school units and local CAP squadrons. The AFJROTC cadets were intrigued by the DDR program, and many inquired about how DDR representatives can come to their schools and speak out against drugs to their fellow students.

The CAP Team at the event was very successful in building and advancing partnerships with counterpart military organizations that are also focused on winning the “War on Drugs.”

